

California Regional Water Quality Control Board

Santa Ana Region



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING and NOTICE OF FILING OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT

Notice Date: June 14, 2006

To: Any Interested Person/Agency (mailing list available upon request)

From: California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, 3737

Main Street, Suite 500, Riverside, CA 92501-3348

Notice of Public Hearing Submitted Under Section 13244 of the California SUBJECT:

Water Code and Notice of Filing Submitted Under Section 21080.5 of the

Public Resources Code

PROJECT PROPONENT: California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana

Region (Regional Board)

PROJECT TITLE: The Regional Board is proposing to amend the Basin Plan to

> incorporate a waste discharge prohibition on the use of onsite septic systems in the Quail Valley area of Riverside

County.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project involves the adoption of a Basin Plan

amendment to prohibit the use of septic systems in the Quail Valley area of Riverside County. A large number of septic systems in Quail Valley area are failing due to poor soil conditions, high groundwater and other reasons, and causing a public health threat and water quality problem. Eastern Municipal Water District and Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District are considering sewer service to the area. The proposed Basin Plan amendment would prohibit the use of new septic systems in most areas of Quail Valley and would require the residents to connect to the sanitary

sewer system within one year of its availability.

PUBLIC HEARING: Notice is hereby given that the Regional Board will hold a

> public hearing to receive comments on the proposed Basin Plan amendment and the environmental documents related

to the above-referenced Quail Valley project.

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The public hearing will be held as follows:

DATE and TIME: August 14, 2006, 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Canyon Lake Middle School's Multi-Purpose Room

33005 Canyon Hills Road Lake Elsinore, CA 92532

(Public parking is available and the meeting location is accessible to persons with

disabilities. Individuals who require special accommodations are requested to contact Stephen Mayville (951-782-4992) at least 5 working days prior to the meeting date. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-

2929.)

AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS FOR REVIEW AND COMMENTS: This is also to advise you that an Environmental Checklist, a Staff Report, Response to Comments, a draft Resolution (No. R8-2006-0024) for the Basin Plan Amendment, a mailing list of interested parties and a draft Certificate of Fee Exemption have been filed with the State Clearinghouse and the Clerk of Riverside County. Action on these documents will be taken in accordance with a regulatory program exemption under Section 21080.5 of the Public Resources Code from the requirement to prepare an environmental impact report under the California Environmental Quality Act [Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq.] and with other applicable laws and regulations.

Copies of the Environmental Checklist, Staff Report, tentative Resolution No. R8-2006-0024, Response to Comments, mailing list and the draft Certificate of Fee Exemption can be obtained from the contact person named below or from our website at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/santaana/html/guail valley.html

These documents are also available for review at the following locations:

Canyon Lake Branch County Library, 31516 Railroad Canyon

Rd., Canyon Lake, (951) 244-9181

• City of Canyon Lake City Hall, 31516 Railroad Canyon Rd.,

Canyon Lake, (951) 244-2955

Lakeside Branch County Library, 32593 Riverside Dr., Lake

Elsinore, (951) 678-7083

• Sun City Branch County Library, 26982 Cherry Hills Blvd., Sun

City (951) 679-3534

COMMENT PERIOD:

All written comments should be submitted by July 31, 2006 to the contact person listed below. Written comments may be submitted by regular mail or by email. For the accuracy of records, we request that any oral testimony at the public hearing be also submitted in writing. All exhibits, including

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charts, graphs, and other testimony, presented as evidence must be left with Regional Board staff to be included as part of the administrative record. Please note that the Regional Board may impose a time limit on oral testimony to provide a fair chance to all participants. All groups are encouraged to designate a spokesperson and speakers are required to summarize written testimony.

COURT REPORTER:

A court reporter will record all the oral comments made at the public hearing. Persons who desire a copy of the hearing transcript must make their own arrangements with the court reporter.

CONSIDERATION OF THE ITEMS BY THE REGIONAL BOARD: At the conclusion of

the public hearing, the Regional Board will review all comments and staff may provide response to the comments. If there are significant unresolved issues, the Board might postpone consideration of the items. In response to comments, the Regional Board may also consider minor changes to the proposed Basin Plan amendment and the related documents. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Regional Board may certify the environmental documents and approve the Basin Plan amendment.

CONTACT PERSON: Stephen D. Mayville, Section Chief, Water Board, 3737 Main Street, Suite 500, Riverside, CA 92501-3348. Phone: 951-782-4992; Fax: 951-321-

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Comments on these documents should be submitted to the contact person named above (smayville@waterboards.ca.gov) by July 31, 2006.

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